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NOTICE OF MEETING

TRANSPORTATION INTERIM COMMITTEE

The committee chairs have scheduled the following meeting:

DATE: Wednesday, November 20, 2002

TIME: **9:00 a.m.**

PLACE: Room 405 State Capitol

An agenda follows this notice. If committee members would like to be excused from the meeting, they may call Benjamin Christensen or Wendy Bangerter at 538-1032.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Sen. David H. Steele, Senate Chair Rep. Joseph G. Murray, House Chair

Sen. Dan R. Eastman	Rep. Gerry A. Adair	Rep. David L. Hogue
Sen. Karen Hale	Rep. Don E. Bush	Rep. Kory M. Holdaway
Sen. Peter C. Knudson	Rep. Stephen D. Clark	Rep. Brad King
Sen. Ed P. Mayne	Rep. Marda Dillree	Rep. Karen W. Morgan
Sen. Carlene M. Walker	Rep. Neil A. Hansen	Rep. Max W. Young

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AGENDA

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Approximate Time Frame

9:00 1. Committee Business

- Call to order
- Approval of the minutes of the October 23, 2002 meeting

9:05 2. Performance Audit of Collection of Transportation Related Revenue

Article XIII, Section 13 of the Utah Constitution requires highway user taxes, fees, and charges to be used for highway purposes and allows "costs of collection and administration" to be paid from the revenue. What are the Tax Commission's costs to collect highway user revenue?

- John M. Schaff, Office of the Legislative Auditor General
- Paul A. Hicken, Office of the Legislative Auditor General

9:30 3. Annual State Highway System Changes (draft legislation)

The Department of Transportation is required to, annually, submit its recommended changes to the state highway system. The changes are incorporated into draft legislation for Committee consideration.

Linda Hull, Utah Department of Transportation

9:40 4. Clean Special Fuel Tax Certificate Amendments (draft legislation)

During the September meeting, the Committee decided to have a working group bring back a recommendation on improving enforcement and compliance, with the requirement that an owner of a vehicle powered by clean special fuel purchase an annual clean special fuel tax certificate. The certificate is provided in lieu of paying the 24.5 cent per gallon state special fuel tax at a cost of \$82 per year for a passenger vehicle compared to an average of \$162 paid in fuel taxes for all other vehicles. How can this requirement be enforced more effectively? Should the cost of the certificate be changed?

10:05 5. Vehicle Impound Fee for Driving Under the Influence Cases (draft legislation)

During the October meeting, the Committee asked that legislation be drafted to increase fines for repeat DUI offenders as a possible means of funding potential exceptions and refunds to the \$200 vehicle administrative impound fee imposed in DUI cases. The current state law does not provide exceptions to the fee.

10:20 6. Other Legislation (draft legislation)

- "Transportation Corridor Preservation" (Representative Marda Dillree)
 (This bill has already been recommended by the Committee; however, a minor clarifying amendment has been requested.)
- "Automobile Homicide Amendments" (Senator Carlene M. Walker)
- "Honorary Consulate Special Group License Plates" (Representative David L. Hogue)

10:45 7. Driver Education (draft legislation)

The Legislative Management Committee referred the study of driver education to the Committee at its September 17th meeting after the Executive Appropriations Committee studied the issue earlier this year. No recommendation was made by the Executive Appropriations Committee. Can the public financial burden of driver education be reduced without compromising public safety? Should driver education be privatized? Can the program be more self-supporting in order to reduce public education subsidies? What options are available?

11:45 8. Other Items / Adjourn